

FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2017

This half term has been a busy one; many classes have gone on trips to find out about the topic they are studying and they have produced some lovely work in their lessons. I have had the pleasure of attending a number of class assemblies and hearing about the learning which has taken place in different year groups, including facts about London, space, animals and other countries around the world.

Children have also produced some amazing work at home and brought this in to share with their friends and teachers. We look forward to seeing many more Independent Learning Projects over the next half term.

-Ms Joines

### **Key Dates**

Monday 23rd October 2017– Friday 27th October 2017 : Half Term

Monday 30th October 2017: Children return to school

Friday 8th December: KS2 Christmas Carols

Year 3 and 4 at 9:30 am

Year 5 and 6 at 10:45 am

Thursday 14th December 2017: Skylark and Firecrest Christmas Performance

Friday 15th December 2017: Hawk and Parrot Christmas Performance

Monday 18th December 2017: Year 1-Year 3 Rocksteady concert (am)

Year 4-Year 6 Rocksteady concert (pm)

Tuesday 19th December 2017: Reception Christmas Carols 2pm 20th December 2017: End of term-Children to be collected at 2pm

Thursday 4th January 2018: Children return to school

# **Big Me Day**



On the 18th October the school was full of doctors, nurses, police officers, scientists, singers, sports stars, dancers-to name just a few.

Our School Council arranged the fundraising day to help support the charity Action Aid. The children spent the day dressed as what they might like to be when they grow up and we raised a massive £200.60 to help some of the world's poorest children. Thank you for all your donations and for supporting this great cause.



### **Kew Gardens**

Year 4 had a great time at Kew Gardens last week finding out about plants from around the world.



## **London**

Year 2 have been learning about London this half term and this week spent a day by the river learning about the Thames, some of the famous bridges, as well as landmarks and well-known buildings in our city.



## **Harvest Sale**

Did you know that in our playground we have several raised beds which are home to a number of vegetables and herbs? Over the last few months, squashes, radishes, tomatoes and a massive pumpkin (along with lots more) have been growing in the Phoenix Garden. This month, the vegetables were harvested and taken along to Borough Market

for sale, as part of 'Harvest Sale'. The event raised £528.97 for FareShare; this money will provide 2116 meals for vulnerable people. It was a real pleasure to be part of this day and to help contribute towards the total amount of money raised, and in turn help those in need.

We are already planning crops to grow for next year so we can continue to support this great cause.

## **Mobile Phones**

Please be mindful of the use of mobile phones in the school playgrounds. We ask that parents and I visitors do not use their phones to make or take calls while dropping off or picking up their children. We I also ask that they are not used to take photos or videos in the school playgrounds.

### Parents' Evening

A very big thank you to all parents and carers who attended parent evening meetings this week.

They are a great opportunity to look at your child's work, discuss what they have achieved so far this year, as well as be informed on their targets and how you can support them at home. If you have not yet been able to meet with your child's teacher, please do make an appointment with them for after the half term.